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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF:

: EXAMINER: SHERRER, C.

SERIAL NO.: 09/926,146

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FOR: AGITATION TANK FOR

STORING YEAST SOLUTION, METHOD OF PRODUCING FERMENTED FOODS SUCH AS BEER USING THE AGITATION TANK, AND

AGITATION TANK, A AGITATING VANES PROVIDED IN THE AGITATION TANK

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL UNDER 37 CFR 1.116

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated October 29, 2004, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.